

familiar to everybody as is the existence
this doctrine, it stands forth in a new and
most startling light as presented on the
tiness stand by physicians, lawyers, rail-

But suppose? Why do they keep on year after year prescribing as conditions for marriage that such and such conditions which are not favorable to the procreation of fruit? Why do they select models of who are continually being supplanted of, who are prosecuted in the criminal courts?

What encourages us to speak thus candidly, if the real indifference of the spirits themselves to the reputation of the cause in which they profess such unbounded interest, is the fact that all the well-informed witnesses in these trials discuss spirit character as frankly and with as little reserve as if they were speaking of men and women still on earth. They accuse the spirits of mendacity, of malicious misrepresentation, of ignorance, of fraudulent personation. Yet they say that the better spirits are continually improving both their own condition and their means of approaching friends still in the flesh. Did it not come to Judge Ewe or to Judge PORTER that the spirits were being so shamefully abused in this manner? Did they not object to one respect? [Judge Ewe was obliged to sit on the witness stand and testified to the materializations which had convinced his own mind, but which, recited at second hand, were far from satisfactory to any of the hearers in the court room. Suppose the spirit of Gen. BLEDSOE or of CHRISTOPHER JOHANNES VAN HYENS had appeared for three minutes, or one minute, or half a minute, and told Judge Ewe on the stand. The medium of the stand was close at hand. Judge PORTER, in the MILLER trial, testified to long conversations which he had held with Judge JOHN M. CRYMCH, Col. SLAYBACK, and Mr. SAMUEL T. LUTHER, all eminent citizens of St. Louis, who had passed away. Suppose that the spirits had appeared, or even of one of these well-known names.]

But to secure the end Mrs. KING desires to reach something else besides trousers will merely be required—knickerbockers, or some other way of clothing the nether extremities is adopted so frequently by women upon the stage, for it is impossible to make trousers cut after the male pattern beautiful, and so as to exhibit the graceful proportions and movements Mrs. KING would have seen. Dr. HAMMOND agrees that on the score of convenience, and even at the sacrifice of warmth and beauty, trousers would be better for women in certain employments, though

about the Democratic party, and they support the President only because they believe that he will try to keep their good hopes at the risk of alienating his natural enemies. They have repeatedly warned him the sin and shame of regarding the wishes of Congressmen or other influential politicians in regard to the appointments; and now he is listening to the advice of these politicians, and, to the Mugwump mind, depoliticizing himself even of part of the prerogative his office, simply for the sake of pleasing and strengthening his party, alas!

It had been feared by some Democrats that CLEVELAND was inclined to go further and would be advisable or safe in the opinion of the Mugwumps, and away from genuine and thoroughgoing Democratic policy; but it would seem that such is not the case. The President is surely trying hard to

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great killing. Being exceedingly light in the balance, the Arabe can handle them with skill.

It Pays to be Amusing.
From the Boston Journal.

The professional amuser has become an institution of New York. He is everywhere, cab-stands and parties there are in continual demand, and he is a useful little animal perpetually on the go. The half hour after a dinner is the time he usually comes on a party of diners, and who was formerly filled with tedious gloom, specifies which he usually liked by the professional amuser. He is so admirably fitted to his work, that he is able to make a dinner party, a dinner, is professionally only for an hour or dinner, pocket a fee of \$50, and disappears.

trifling with a cold, many a one allows himself to be taken in by the advertisement of the development of latent disease, which therefore

able and taken up for dead. He recovered consciousness, however, before the hour appointed for his marriage, and with admirable calm insisted that the ceremony should take place as it did, but with the bridegroom in a frontal position, and his eyes tightly bandaged. Those people are spending their honeymoon on Staten Island, where the seas are gradually recovering from his injuries. The staid Century Club is undergoing its medical spasmodic excitement on the subject now. As usual, several schemes are under consideration, and one of them may possibly soon be formally presented to the club.